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REMARKS

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a)(2), it has been over four months since the filing date of the reply and neither a Notification under 35 U.S.C. § 132 nor a Notice of Allowance under 35 U.S.C. § 151 have been received. Thus, a period of adjustment of patent term due to examination delay is accruing in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1).

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